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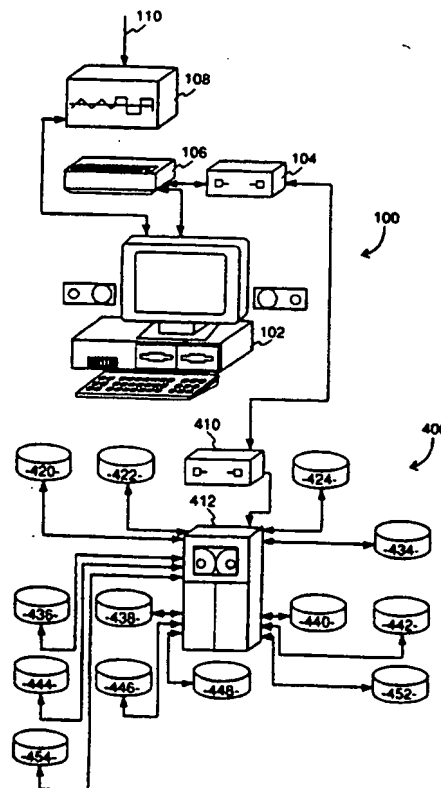
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## (57) Abstract

An information processing system for acquiring and displaying information relating to a specific industry or interest, the example herein being real estate and related goods and services. The system comprises a server (400) which has an input/output device (410) for receiving and transmitting data, database files, and database storage (412). A media terminal (100) for producing files, including digitized property descriptions, is provided. The media terminal has a digitizer (108) for analog/digital signal converting, an I/O device (104) for transmitting, and a data entry device (102). An end user terminal (100) provides the ability to enter, transmit, receive and display data to and from the file server. An agent's terminal is equipped to enter and display data, as well as transmit information to and from the file server. The system is configured such that real estate information is received at the media terminal (100), edited, and, once approved, stored at the file server (400). The information is accessible from either the agent's or end user's terminals (100). The compilation of information in the databases includes demographic statistics which are usable by advertisers and various industry-related entities.



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